
WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2007 No. 1047 (W.105)

ANIMALS, WALES

ANIMAL HEALTH

The Welfare of Animals (Transport) (Wales) Order 2007

Made - - - - 27 March 2007

Coming into force - - 30 March 2007

The National Assembly for Wales, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 1, 7, 8(1), 37, 38(1), 39, 83(2) and 87(2), (3) and (5)(a) of the Animal Health Act 1981(1), and now vested in it(2), makes the following Order:

PART 1

Introduction

Title, commencement and application

1. The title of this Order is the Welfare of Animals (Transport) (Wales) Order 2007. It comes into force on 30 March 2007 and applies in relation to Wales.

Commencement Information

II Art. 1 in force at 30.3.2007, see [art. 1](#)

Interpretation

- 2.—(1) In this Order “the Act” means the Animal Health Act 1981.
- (2) Expressions used in this Order that are also used in the following Regulations have the meaning they bear in those Regulations.
- (3) The Regulations are—

(1) 1981 c. 22 as amended by the Animal Health Act 2002 c. 42.

(2) Functions transferred to the National Assembly by the National Assembly (Transfer of Functions) Orders 1999 and 2004 (S.I.1999/672 and S.I. 2004/3044 respectively).

- (a) Council Regulation (EC) No 1/2005 on the protection of animals during transport and related operations and amending Directives 64/432/EEC and 93/119/EC and Regulation (EC) 1255/97(3);
 - (b) Council Regulation (EC) No 1255/97 concerning Community criteria for staging points and amending the route plan referred to in the Annex to Directive 91/628/EEC(4);
 - [^{F1}(c) Regulation (EU) 2017/625 of the European Parliament and of the Council on official controls and other official activities performed to ensure the application of food and feed law, rules on animal health and welfare, plant health and plant protection products].
- (4) The “local authority” means in relation to an area the county council or county borough council for that area.
- ^{F2}(5)
- (6) Any reference to the Regulations referred to in paragraph (3) is a reference to those instruments as amended from time to time.

<p>F1 Art. 2(3)(c) inserted (6.4.2023) by The Welfare of Animals (Transport) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) Regulations 2023 (S.I. 2023/261), regs. 1(2)(c), 4(2)</p> <p>F2 Art. 2(5) omitted (31.12.2020) by virtue of The Animal Health and Welfare (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/684), regs. 1(2), 3(2); 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)</p> <hr/> <p>Commencement Information</p> <p>I2 Art. 2 in force at 30.3.2007, see art. 1</p>
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Extension of definition of “animals” and “poultry”

3. For the purposes of the Act in its application to this Order, the definitions of animals and poultry in section 87 of the Act are extended to cover all vertebrate animals and cold-blooded invertebrate animals.

<hr/> <p>Commencement Information</p> <p>I3 Art. 3 in force at 30.3.2007, see art. 1</p>
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PART 2

Transport of Animals

General provision on the protection of animals during transport

- 4.—(1) It is an offence to transport any animal in a way which causes, or is likely to cause, injury or unnecessary suffering to that animal.
- (2) It is an offence to transport any animal except in such receptacles or means of transport, under conditions (in particular with regard to space, ventilation, temperature and security) and with such supply of liquid and oxygen, as are appropriate for the species concerned.
- (3) This article applies to the transport of cold-blooded invertebrate animals.

(3) OJ L 3, 5.1.2005 p.1.
(4) OJ L 174, 2.7.97 p.1.

(4) This article applies to the transport of vertebrate animals except those to which Council Regulation (EC) No 1/2005 applies.

Commencement Information

I4 Art. 4 in force at 30.3.2007, see [art. 1](#)

Transport

5.—(1) A person who fails to comply with any of the following provisions of Council Regulation (EC) No 1/2005 is guilty of an offence against the Act—

- (a) Article 3 (general conditions for the transport of animals);
- (b) Article 4(1) (Article 4 relates to transport documentation);
- (c) Article 5(1) (Article 5 relates to planning obligations for the transport of animals);
- (d) Article 6(1) (Article 6 relates to transporters);
- (e) from 5 January 2008, Article 6(5);
- (f) Article 7 (prior inspection and approval of means of transport);
- (g) points 1.8, 1.9 or 1.11 of Chapter III of Annex I (Chapter III relates to transport practices).

(2) No person is to remove, deface, obliterate or alter a mark made under paragraph (3) of article 24 (powers of inspectors).

(3) Copies of the documentation referred to in Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 1/2005 must be kept for 6 months from the completion of the journey.

Commencement Information

I5 Art. 5 in force at 30.3.2007, see [art. 1](#)

Transporters

6. A transporter who fails to comply with the following provisions of Council Regulation (EC) No 1/2005 is guilty of an offence against the Act—

- (a) Article 4(2) (Article 4 relates to transport documentation);
- (b) Article 5(2) and (4) (Article 5 relates to planning obligations for the transport of animals);
- (c) Article 6(2), (3), (4), (6) and (8) (Article 6 relates to transporters);
- (d) Article 6(9)—
 - (i) for means of transport by road in service for the first time on or after the coming into force date of this Order; and
 - (ii) for all means of transport by road on or after 1 January 2009;
- (e) Article 12 (Article 12 relates to limitation on applications for authorisation).

Commencement Information

I6 Art. 6 in force at 30.3.2007, see [art. 1](#)

Roll-on-roll-off vessels

7.—(1) A master of a roll-on-roll-off vessel who fails to comply with point 3.1 of Chapter II of Annex I to Council Regulation (EC) No 1/2005 (Chapter II relates to additional provisions for transport on roll-on-roll-off vessels) is guilty of an offence against the Act.

(2) No transporter is to transport animals on a roll-on-roll-off vessel unless the master of the vessel has first verified the matters referred to in that point.

Commencement Information

I7 Art. 7 in force at 30.3.2007, see [art. 1](#)

Organisers

8. An organiser who fails to comply with any of the obligations in Article 5(3) and (4) of Council Regulation (EC) No 1/2005 (Article 5 relates to planning obligations for the transport of animals) is guilty of an offence against the Act.

Commencement Information

I8 Art. 8 in force at 30.3.2007, see [art. 1](#)

Keepers

9. A keeper who fails to comply with Article 8 of Council Regulation (EC) No 1/2005 (keepers at places of departure, transfer or destination) is guilty of an offence against the Act.

Commencement Information

I9 Art. 9 in force at 30.3.2007, see [art. 1](#)

Assembly centres

10. An operator of an assembly centre who fails to comply with Article 9 of Council Regulation (EC) No 1/2005 (assembly centres) is guilty of an offence against the Act.

Commencement Information

I10 Art. 10 in force at 30.3.2007, see [art. 1](#)

Control posts

11.—(1) It is an offence for a person to operate a control post unless he or she is approved for that purpose.

(2) It is an offence for any person to operate or use a control post unless it is approved in accordance with Article 3(1) of Council Regulation (EC) No 1255/97.

(3) An operator of a control post who fails to comply with any of the following provisions of Council Regulation (EC) No 1255/97 is guilty of an offence against the Act—

- (a) Article 4 (use of control posts);

- (b) Article 5 (the operation of control posts);
- (c) Article 6(1) (confirmation that an animal is fit to continue its journey).

Commencement Information

I11 Art. 11 in force at 30.3.2007, see [art. 1](#)

PART 3

Derogations for means of transport by road on journeys under 12 hours

Application

12. In accordance with Article 18(4) of Council Regulation ([EC](#)) No 1/2005, the derogations in this Part apply in respect of a means of transport by road used for a journey that does not exceed 12 hours in order to reach the final place of destination (“means of transport by road”).

Commencement Information

I12 Art. 12 in force at 30.3.2007, see [art. 1](#)

Derogation from inspection and approval

13. For the purposes of Article 18(1) of Council Regulation ([EC](#)) No 1/2005, a means of transport by road used to transport animals other than domestic equidae or domestic animals of bovine, ovine, caprine or porcine species does not require a certificate of approval.

Commencement Information

I13 Art. 13 in force at 30.3.2007, see [art. 1](#)

Derogation from requirement for continuous access to water

14. For the purposes of point 1.4(b) of Chapter V of Annex I to Council Regulation ([EC](#)) No 1/2005, during a journey pigs—

- (a) do not require continuous access to water on a means of transport by road;
- (b) must be offered water at appropriate intervals and afforded an adequate opportunity to drink.

Commencement Information

I14 Art. 14 in force at 30.3.2007, see [art. 1](#)

Derogation from insulated roof requirement

15. For the purposes of point 1.1 of Chapter VI to Annex I to Council Regulation ([EC](#)) No 1/2005, the roof on a means of transport by road does not require insulation.

Commencement Information

I15 Art. 15 in force at 30.3.2007, see [art. 1](#)

Derogation from temperature requirements

16.—(1) For the purposes of point 3.1 of Chapter VI of Annex I to Council Regulation ([EC](#)) No 1/2005, the temperature on a means of transport by road may fall below 0°C during a journey—

- (a) up to the time when the means of transport by road is first moved at the place of departure; and
- (b) during any unloading and loading occurring at intermediate points in the journey.

(2) But where the temperature falls below 0°C, pigs weighing less than 30 kgs and unaccompanied on the journey by their mother must be provided with adequate quantities of a bedding material appropriate to the species to ensure their thermal comfort.

Commencement Information

I16 Art. 16 in force at 30.3.2007, see [art. 1](#)

Derogation from ventilation system requirement

17. The ventilation system on a means of transport by road—

- (a) does not require the capabilities described in point 3.2 of Chapter VI of Annex I to Council Regulation ([EC](#)) No 1/2005;
- (b) must be capable of adjustment so as to ensure that the requirements for temperatures set out in that point and in article 16(1) are maintained during the journey.

Commencement Information

I17 Art. 17 in force at 30.3.2007, see [art. 1](#)

Derogation from temperature monitoring requirements

18. The temperature monitoring, data recording and warning systems referred to in points 3.3 and 3.4 of Chapter VI of Annex I to Council Regulation ([EC](#)) No 1/2005 are not required on a means of transport by road.

Commencement Information

I18 Art. 18 in force at 30.3.2007, see [art. 1](#)

Derogation from navigation system requirement

19. The navigation system referred to in point 4.1 of Chapter VI of Annex I to Council Regulation ([EC](#)) No 1/2005 is not required in a means of transport by road.

Commencement Information

I19 Art. 19 in force at 30.3.2007, see [art. 1](#)

PART 4

Approvals

[^{F3}The competent authority

20. The Welsh Ministers are the competent authority for the purposes of Council Regulation (EC) No 1255/97 and Council Regulation (EC) No 1/2005.]

F3 Art. 20 substituted (31.12.2020) by [The Animal Health and Welfare \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Wales\) \(EU Exit\) Regulations 2019](#) (S.I. 2019/684), regs. 1(2), **3(3)**; 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)

Approvals, authorisations etc

21. Any approval, authorisation or certificate issued under this Order, Council Regulation (EC) No 1/2005 or Council Regulation (EC) No 1255/97—

- (a) must be in writing;
- (b) may be made subject to conditions; and
- (c) may be amended, suspended or revoked at any time.

Commencement Information

I20 Art. 21 in force at 30.3.2007, see [art. 1](#)

Suspension, revocation of approvals etc

22.—(1) The [^{F4}Welsh Ministers] may, by notice, suspend or amend an approval, authorisation, certificate of approval or certificate of competence if satisfied that any of the conditions under which it was granted or of any provision of Council Regulation (EC) No 1/2005, Council Regulation (EC) No 1255/97 or this Order have been breached.

- (2) A suspension under paragraph (1)—
 - (a) has immediate effect where the [^{F5}Welsh Ministers consider] it necessary to protect the welfare of animals;
 - (b) otherwise will not have effect for at least 21 days following service of the notice.
- (3) The notice must—
 - (a) give reasons;
 - (b) state when it comes into effect and, in the case of a suspension, state on what date or event it is to cease to have effect; and
 - (c) explain the right of the recipient of the notice to make written representations to a person appointed by the [^{F6}Welsh Ministers].

(4) Where the notice does not have immediate effect, and representations are made under article 23, an amendment or suspension will not have effect until the final determination by the [F7Welsh Ministers] in accordance with article 23 unless the [F8Welsh Ministers decide] that it is necessary for the protection of animal welfare for the amendment or suspension to have immediate effect and gives notice to that effect.

(5) Where a suspension is upheld, the [F9Welsh Ministers] may, by notice, revoke an approval, authorisation, certificate of approval or certificate of competence if satisfied that this Order, Council Regulation (EC) No 1/2005 or Council Regulation (EC) No 1255/97 will not be complied with.

(6) A notice must not be issued under paragraph (5) until the process in article 23 (if any) has been completed.

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| F4 | Words in art. 22(1) substituted (31.12.2020) by The Animal Health and Welfare (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/684) , regs. 1(2), 3(4)(a) ; 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1) |
| F5 | Words in art. 22(2)(a) substituted (31.12.2020) by The Animal Health and Welfare (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/684) , regs. 1(2), 3(4)(b) ; 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1) |
| F6 | Words in art. 22(3)(c) substituted (31.12.2020) by The Animal Health and Welfare (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/684) , regs. 1(2), 3(4)(a) ; 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1) |
| F7 | Words in art. 22(4) substituted (31.12.2020) by The Animal Health and Welfare (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/684) , regs. 1(2), 3(4)(c)(i) ; 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1) |
| F8 | Words in art. 22(4) substituted (31.12.2020) by The Animal Health and Welfare (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/684) , regs. 1(2), 3(4)(c)(ii) ; 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1) |
| F9 | Words in art. 22(5) substituted (31.12.2020) by The Animal Health and Welfare (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/684) , regs. 1(2), 3(4)(a) ; 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1) |

Commencement Information

- I21** Art. 22 in force at 30.3.2007, see [art. 1](#)

Representations to an appointed person

23.—(1) A person may make written representations against a refusal, condition, amendment, suspension or revocation of an approval, authorisation or certificate to a person appointed for the purpose by the [F10Welsh Ministers].

(2) Any representations must be made within 21 days of receiving notification of the [F11Welsh Ministers'] decision.

(3) The appointed person must consider the representations and report in writing to the [F12Welsh Ministers].

(4) The [F13Welsh Ministers] must give to the person making the representations written notification of [F14their] final determination and [F14their] reasons.

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| F10 | Words in art. 23(1) substituted (31.12.2020) by The Animal Health and Welfare (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/684) , regs. 1(2), 3(5)(a) ; 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1) |
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- F11** Words in art. 23(2) substituted (31.12.2020) by *The Animal Health and Welfare (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019* (S.I. 2019/684), regs. 1(2), **3(5)(b)**; 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)
- F12** Words in art. 23(3) substituted (31.12.2020) by *The Animal Health and Welfare (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019* (S.I. 2019/684), regs. 1(2), **3(5)(a)**; 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)
- F13** Words in art. 23(4) substituted (31.12.2020) by *The Animal Health and Welfare (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019* (S.I. 2019/684), regs. 1(2), **3(5)(c)(i)**; 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)
- F14** Word in art. 23(4) substituted (31.12.2020) by *The Animal Health and Welfare (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019* (S.I. 2019/684), regs. 1(2), **3(5)(c)(ii)**; 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)

Commencement Information

- I22** Art. 23 in force at 30.3.2007, see **art. 1**

PART 5

Miscellaneous

Powers of inspectors

24.—(1) If an inspector considers animals are being transported, or are to be transported, in a way which—

- (a) contravenes any provision of this Order; or
- (b) constitutes an offence against the Act by virtue of this Order,

he or she may serve a notice on the person appearing to him or her to be in charge of the animals requiring that person to take any action necessary to ensure compliance with this Order, giving reasons for the requirements.

(2) An inspector may in particular—

- (a) prohibit the transport of the animals, either indefinitely or for a period specified in the notice;
- (b) specify conditions under which the animals may be transported;
- (c) require the journey to be completed, or the animals to be returned to their place of departure, by the most direct route, provided that this course of action would not cause unnecessary suffering to the animals;
- (d) require animals not fit to complete their journey to be unloaded, watered, fed or rested;
- (e) require the animals to be held in suitable accommodation with appropriate care until the problem identified in the notice is solved;
- (f) require the humane slaughter or killing of the animals; or
- (g) require a means of transport or container to be repaired or replaced before it is used to transport animals.

(3) Where it is necessary for identification purposes, an inspector may mark an animal.

[^{F15}(4) An inspector may take copies of any document—

- (a) inspected for the purpose of ascertaining whether the provisions of this Order, Council Regulation (EC) No 1/2005, Council Regulation (EC) No 1255/97 or Regulation (EU) 2017/625 have been complied with;
- (b) inspected in the course of performing official controls under Regulation (EU) 2017/625.]
- (5) An inspector may serve on the owner, or any person appearing to him or her to be in charge of a control post, a notice requiring him or her to take any action the inspector reasonably considers necessary to ensure compliance with, or remedy any infringement of, Council Regulation (EC) No 1255/97.
- (6) In particular, an inspector may—
- (a) require one or more animals at a control post to be removed from the control post;
- (b) specify conditions under which animals may remain there.
- (7) In deciding whether to serve a notice under this article, an inspector may take into account any previous failure to comply with any provision of this Order, any other Order made under sections 37, 38 or 39 of the Act or [F16 paragraph 13(b)] of Annex II to Council Regulation (EC) No 1/2005 (return of documents after completion of journey).
- (8) Where a person fails to comply with the requirements of a notice served under this article, an inspector may take any steps he or she considers necessary to ensure the requirement is met.
- (9) The person in default must reimburse any reasonable expenses incurred by the [F17 Welsh Ministers] or the local authority in taking such steps and any such debt is recoverable summarily.

- F15** Art. 24(4) substituted (6.4.2023) by [The Welfare of Animals \(Transport\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Wales\) Regulations 2023 \(S.I. 2023/261\)](#), regs. 1(2)(c), **4(3)(a)**
- F16** Words in art. 24(7) substituted (6.4.2023) by [The Welfare of Animals \(Transport\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Wales\) Regulations 2023 \(S.I. 2023/261\)](#), regs. 1(2)(c), **4(3)(b)**
- F17** Words in art. 24(9) substituted (31.12.2020) by [The Animal Health and Welfare \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Wales\) \(EU Exit\) Regulations 2019 \(S.I. 2019/684\)](#), regs. 1(2), **3(6)**; 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)

Commencement Information

- I23** Art. 24 in force at 30.3.2007, see [art. 1](#)

Compliance with notices

25. Any notice served under this Order must be complied with at the expense of the person on whom it is served, except where otherwise provided in that notice.

Commencement Information

- I24** Art. 25 in force at 30.3.2007, see [art. 1](#)

Production of plans

- 26.—**(1) The owner or charterer of any vessel to be used for the transport of animals must—
- (a) produce, on demand to an officer of the [F18 Welsh Ministers] plans of the vessel (including details of its ventilation system and any fittings for livestock); and
- (b) provide, on demand, such information concerning the vessel as the officer considers necessary to enable him or her to ascertain whether the provisions of this Order will be complied with during the proposed journey

(2) But no person has to provide any information which he or she cannot, with the exercise of reasonable diligence, obtain.

F18 Words in art. 26(1)(a) substituted (31.12.2020) by [The Animal Health and Welfare \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Wales\) \(EU Exit\) Regulations 2019](#) (S.I. 2019/684), regs. 1(2), **3(6)**; 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)

Commencement Information

I25 Art. 26 in force at 30.3.2007, see [art. 1](#)

Obstruction

27. No person is to—

- (a) without reasonable cause, fail to give any person acting under Council Regulation (EC) No 1/2005, Council Regulation (EC) No 1255/97^{F19}, Regulation (EU) 2017/625] or this Order any assistance or information which that person may reasonably require for the purposes of his or her functions under those Regulations or this Order;
- (b) provide false information on any journey log (whether submitted for approval, returned to the officer of the ^{F20}Welsh Ministers] after the journey or otherwise) or provide false or misleading information on any documentation carried pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 1/2005;
- (c) make an entry in a record or statement, or give any information for the purposes of this Order, which he or she knows to be false or misleading in any material particular or, for those purposes, recklessly make a statement or give any information which is false or misleading in any material particular; or
- (d) cause or permit any of the above.

F19 Words in art. 27(a) inserted (6.4.2023) by [The Welfare of Animals \(Transport\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Wales\) Regulations 2023](#) (S.I. 2023/261), regs. 1(2)(c), **4(4)**

F20 Words in art. 27(b) substituted (31.12.2020) by [The Animal Health and Welfare \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Wales\) \(EU Exit\) Regulations 2019](#) (S.I. 2019/684), regs. 1(2), **3(6)**; 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)

Commencement Information

I26 Art. 27 in force at 30.3.2007, see [art. 1](#)

Offences by bodies corporate

28.—(1) If an offence under this Order committed by a body corporate is shown—

- (a) to have been committed with the consent or connivance of an officer; or
- (b) to be attributable to any neglect on his or her part,

the officer as well as the body corporate is guilty of the offence and is liable to be proceeded against and punished accordingly.

(2) If the affairs of a body corporate are managed by its members, paragraph (1) applies in relation to the acts and defaults of a member in connection with his or her functions of management as if he or she were a director of the body.

(3) “Officer”, in relation to a body corporate, means a director, member of the committee of management, chief executive, manager, secretary or other similar officer of the body, or a person purporting to act in any such capacity.

Commencement Information

I27 Art. 28 in force at 30.3.2007, see [art. 1](#)

Enforcement

29.—(1) This Order is enforceable by the local authority.

(2) The [^{F21}Welsh Ministers] may direct, in relation to cases of a particular description or a particular case, that any duty imposed on a local authority under paragraph (1) will be discharged by the [^{F21}Welsh Ministers] and not the local authority.

F21 Words in [art. 29\(2\)](#) substituted (31.12.2020) by [The Animal Health and Welfare \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Wales\) \(EU Exit\) Regulations 2019](#) (S.I. 2019/684), regs. 1(2), **3(6)**; 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)

Commencement Information

I28 Art. 29 in force at 30.3.2007, see [art. 1](#)

Amendments

30.—(1) The Transport of Animals (Cleansing and Disinfection) (Wales) (No 3) Order 2003⁽⁵⁾ is amended as follows.

- (2) In article 3, omit paragraph (2).
- (3) Omit article 4.
- (4) In article 5, omit paragraph (2).
- (5) In article 9(4), omit “,4”.

Commencement Information

I29 Art. 30 in force at 30.3.2007, see [art. 1](#)

Revocations

31. The Schedule (Orders revoked) has effect.

Commencement Information

I30 Art. 31 in force at 30.3.2007, see [art. 1](#)

(5) [O.S. 2003/1968](#) (Cy.213).

Signed on behalf of the National Assembly for Wales under section 66(1) of the Government of Wales Act 1998(6).

D. Elis-Thomas
The Presiding Officer of the National Assembly

SCHEDULE

Article 31

Orders revoked

1. The following are revoked in so far as they have effect in Wales—
- (a) the Transit of Animals (Road and Rail) Order 1975(7);
 - (b) the Export of Animals (Protection) Order 1981(8);
 - (c) the Welfare of Animals (Transport) Order 1997(9);
 - (d) the Welfare of Animals (Staging Points) Order 1998(10);
 - (e) the Welfare of Animals (Transport) (Amendment) Order 1999(11).

Commencement Information

I31 Sch. para. 1 in force at 30.3.2007, see [art. 1](#)

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order makes provision in Wales for the administration and enforcement of Council Regulation [\(EC\) No 1/2005](#) on the protection of animals during transport and related operations (OJ L 3, 5.1.2005. p.1.).

It also provides for the administration and enforcement of Council Regulation 1255/97 concerning Community criteria for staging points (OJ L 174, 2.7.97 p.1.).

It revokes (insofar as it has effect in Wales) the Welfare of Animals (Transport) Order 1997, which implemented Council Directive [91/628/EEC](#) on the protection of animals during transport (OJ No L340, 11.12.91, p 17).

Part 2 of the Order enforces the requirements of Council Regulation [\(EC\) No 1/2005](#) in relation to transport (article 5), transporters (article 6), roll-on-roll-off vessels (article 7) organisers (article 8), keepers (article 9) and assembly centres (article 10). It also enforces the requirements of Council Regulation [\(EC\) No 1255/97](#) in relation to control posts (article 11). Article 11 makes it an offence to use an unapproved control post and to operate a control post without prior approval.

Part 3 provides derogations relating to means of transport by road used in respect of journeys not exceeding 12 hours in order to reach the final destination (articles 12 to 19).

Part 4 provides for the amendment, suspension or revocation of approvals, authorisations or certificates and for representations against a notice to amend, suspend or revoke them (articles 20 to 23).

(7) S.I. [1975/1024](#).

(8) S.I. [1981/1051](#).

(9) S.I. [1997/1480](#).

(10) S.I. [1998/2537](#).

(11) S.I. [1999/1622](#)

Inspectors are given powers to require compliance with the Order, including the power to stop a journey (article 24).

Owners and charterers of vessels used to transport animals are required to produce information on demand to an officer of the National Assembly, which may include a plan of the vessel (article 26).

The Order is enforceable by local authorities (article 29).

Breach of the Order is an offence under section 73 of the Animal Health Act 1981, punishable in accordance with section 75 of that Act.

A Regulatory Appraisal has been prepared and copies can be obtained from the National Assembly for Wales, Cathays Park, Cardiff CF10 3NQ.

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Welfare of Animals (Transport) (Wales) Order 2007.